

Neighbor Appreciation Day

Saturday, February 10, 2007

- In 1995, Phinney Ridge activist Judith Wood suggested that the City designate “a special day to celebrate the goodness in those around us and to reach out and strengthen our bonds to each other.” Mayor Norm Rice responded by proclaiming the Saturday before Valentine’s Day as Neighbor Appreciation Day. The observance has grown every year since!
- Neighbor Appreciation Day is a grassroots celebration. People and organizations throughout Seattle have organized block parties, open houses, award ceremonies, potluck dinners, and work parties to recognize and encourage caring neighbors.
- Mayor Greg Nickels has declared that the next Neighbor Appreciation Day will be held on Saturday, February 10, 2007. This is a great way to acknowledge the good work of your immediate neighbors and others in your community who help make your neighborhood a special place to live.
- Each year, Neighborhoods has welcomed the participation of Safeco Insurance as a sponsor of printing the Neighbor Appreciation Day cards, which are distributed and available at all Seattle libraries, Neighborhood Service Centers, and City Hall. Call today for your complimentary copies at 684-0464.
- If you plan a special observance, call Peter McGraw at the Department of Neighborhoods, at 615-0950. He will include your event in a special calendar for public officials, the media, and good neighbors throughout Seattle.
- The City Council is invited to the ceremony along with the friends and family of recognized student art contest winners and runners-up.